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Sir:

This Amended Appeal Brief is submitted pursuant to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, mailed on Oct 23, 2006. Section V, Summary of Claimed Subject Matter, has been amended from the Appeal Brief, filed on May 26, 2006, and sections IX, Evidence Appendix, and X, Related Proceedings Appendix, have been added for compliance in accordance with the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief. This Amended Appeal Brief is otherwise substantially unchanged from the Appeal Brief, filed on May 26, 2006.

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